

THE STAR ROUTE TRIAL

Wrangling Among the Counsel—Decisions by Judge Wyile.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The examination of the mail carrier, Fisk, was resumed in the Criminal Court this morning in the Star route trial. Almost all the outset objections were made by the defense on the ground that the examination of the route was a matter of official record. In the course of the discussion which followed Mr. Totten inquired whether the Court would rule out all evidence concerning acts committed prior to May, 1879. Judge Wyile answered positively in the negative, adding that the prosecution had a right to go back of the statute of limitation and prove circumstances contributing and leading up to the conspiracy which existed within the past three years. The witness detailed the number of trips made by himself over the route, the time tables, and other peculiarities. The number of men employed was two, and he had four trips a day, making 12 trips from Smith Point to Baker City twice a week. From Baker City to Canon City the weight of the mail averaged 200 pounds. On the return trip this was reduced to 100 pounds.

Joseph E. Masserson of Canon City, another carrier, was called, but his examination was interrupted by a question from the defense as to the object of Mr. Bill's cross-examination.

Bill's answer was that he was trying to prove that the contractor had sworn to false affidavits as to the amount of work done by contractors required upon the route. He would also show that the order for expedition had not been executed growing out of the fact that these alleged false affidavits had not been set out in the indictment. The Judge said he had passed the question of the statute of limitation out of the case. It was necessary to have a proper regard for the scheme of the prosecution before they could proceed with the examination. Even one overt act well established, was sufficient for the purposes of the prosecution.

"Now as to the conspiracy question," said Wyile, "I do not think the conspiracy has yet been proved. We are perhaps getting toward that end, but with what success the Government will make out the case I cannot say at present." Certain frauds have been proved against certain contractors, but not enough evidence of the transaction has been produced.

His testimony was of the same general character as that given by the preceding witness.

Emil Schulz of Camp Watson, Oregon, was the next witness. He was told that the company had not been as yet proved. He added that, in taking out those frauds, he had no evidence of the same as given by the preceding witness.

He said that the examination of two or three more witnesses in the same line the court adjourned until to-morrow.

COL SELLERS AND THE BRIDGE.

He Signs an Agreement to Deliver all the Steel by Oct. 31.

A secret conference of Mayors Grace and Low and Commissioners Campbell and Smiley with Col. William Sellers, President of the Edgemere Iron Company, in reference to the delay in furnishing the steel for the East River Bridge, was held in the office of the trustees, in Water street, Brooklyn, yesterday. The only other persons admitted to the room were Trustees Swan and Stranahan and President Henry C. Murphy. There was an informal talk about the delay under the contract, and a general appeal was made to Col. Sellers.

Major Low is said to have made the most effective and impressive speech. He appealed in behalf of the taxpayers of the city of Brooklyn, who were suffering in many ways because of the delay in the contract. The contractor should have considered that his delay was causing a loss to the public, and that it was a day to the two cities interested in the bridge, and that of this sum Brooklyn had to pay \$2,000 a day. He appealed to Col. Seller's sense of justice, and urged him to insist that the contractor must feel that he had not lived up to his promises, or to his contract, and that he was not only injuring his reputation for doing his duty, but he was doing positive wrong to two municipalities.

Col. Sellers expressed his regret that the delay was so great, and then said that the contractors of them one being that the company, after taking the contract for the East River Bridge at a price that proved very unprofitable, had at once engaged in an adverse contract for a bridge to be erected in New South Wales, and that when given its stipulated sum was now finished, the work for the East River Bridge could proceed more satisfactorily. He thought it would be agreed that the work would all be furnished by Oct. 31, and the bridge could be completed in March next.

Several of the trustees insisted that this agreement should be made in writing, and at length Col. Sellers agreed to sign an agreement to that effect. It is estimated that there was a loss to the public of \$100,000, and the cost of this no definite information could be obtained. It was at length decided that the contractor should be informed, and on Saturday morning, when the report of the agreement was made to the Board, which is to assemble on Monday to meet Col. Bowling, Col. Sellers, after a private conference with President Murphy for three-quarters of an hour, dodged out through a side door and hurried away.

PETER MCGILL'S DIVORCE SUIT.

Mrs. McGill Alleges that there was a Plot Arranged to Entrap her.

Peter McGill, a manufacturer of 57 South Fifth street, Brooklyn, yesterday served a summons for divorce upon his wife at the residence of Dr. W. H. Cooper, 140 Fourth street. The wife claims that a plot had been arranged by her husband and his brother to get rid of her. The plaintiff in his complaint will accuse his brother, Joseph McGill. He says he was able to obtain proof only by pretending to go to Boston, and by having two detectives follow his brother and his wife, who went with him to the Fall River boat to see him off. After the boat sailed he claims that his two detectives traced him to New York, and that he was followed where they remained until noon. "If I had caught my brother," said Mr. McGill, "then I could have killed him."

The wife, who had been served with the summons which had been served upon her, "will give him all the divorce he wants, and send me to the poorhouse." She had stepped into a house, where she said a friend of her husband, was staying, and was received by him. Suspecting nothing, she went to him, and he took her into an ante-room, saying she was to be married to him. "I am sorry to say," she responded, "that he turned the key in the door and told her that she was trapped, and that he had arranged for her to be married to him. I am sorry to say, that the transfer took place on the 1st, and that he was compelled to return to her home, 176 Division street. When her husband returned, she says, he pursued her with a pistol, and she fled to the home of her sister, Mrs. H. A. Smith, and there began a suit for divorce against her husband, but was induced to discontinue it.

Three Lions Plinched and One Gone.

A. L. Donaldson, the one-armed Baltimore swimmer who once swam fifteen miles, from Fortress Monroe to Old Point Comfort, in six hours, undertook to swim across the East River yesterday with his legs and arm tied. There was no wager or prize to be gained, only glory. Mr. Donaldson, A. Brie of 39 South street, started from the dock foot of Bruck street, and swam to the dock foot of Franklin street. The start was made from the dock foot of Bruck street, and the water was very rough. It was strange that three men in a boat should accompany Donaldson, and that he should have been allowed to take only a part of trunks. His body was covered with oil, and he was compelled to jump overboard to the assistance of his rescuers. The man pulled up the river a short distance, cheered by a crowd of spectators, and then swam back to the New York shore, swimming on his back. The roughness of the water, however, caused him to stop, and after swimming about one third the way across he was taken into the boat.

Robertins in the Hotel Bristol.

Valuable articles have recently been missed from the rooms of guests of the Hotel Bristol, corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-second street. The latest theft was from the room of Mrs. Maria A. Baumer on June 19. The missing articles included a diamond and pearl necklace valued at \$200, and a diamond and pearl pin valued at \$100, and a diamond and pearl pin valued at \$100 among the articles missed. On Friday evening, June 21, a diamond and pearl necklace and Harry Fantes of 200 Seventh ave., were reported as being 200 years old. Canadensis, and came to this city from Philadelphia. A pair of slate slates taken from Mrs. Baumer's apartment, were taken from the room of Mr. John E. Williams, attorney at law, 101 Madison street, and were taken to Jefferson Mar. Court, yesterday, both were committed for trial.

All the Luxuries of a Will Contest.

John White sues his son Francis C. White in the Court of Common Pleas to compel the son to deliver up two papers transferring to him all the father's property. The documents value \$100,000, and a diamond and pearl pin valued at \$200, and a diamond and pearl pin valued at \$100 among the articles missed. On Friday evening, June 21, a diamond and pearl necklace and Harry Fantes of 200 Seventh ave., were reported as being 200 years old. Canadensis, and came to this city from Philadelphia. A pair of slate slates taken from Mrs. Baumer's apartment, were taken from the room of Mr. John E. Williams, attorney at law, 101 Madison street, and were taken to Jefferson Mar. Court, yesterday, both were committed for trial.

Hicksell and Mrs. Baumer Separated. After he stopped traveling to France, she left the entire sum. The daughters felt aggrieved, and in their interest the father decided to revoke the conveyance he made to France. The daughters alleged want of capacity and undue influence, which had given the counsel till Thursday to submit briefs.

His Fortune Gone and Life a Burden.

Joseph R. Sartorius yesterday sold himself through the head in the rear of the warehouses of his nephews, George H. Sartorius' Son, 51 Beekman st. He was 49 years old, a native of Portland. He accumulated a fortune of \$200,000 in business with his brother, George H. Sartorius, and retired in 1878. He lost his health, and became a burden to his family. His nephew, in July last, lost his place at the American Exchange. He often visited his nephews place of business. He was 50 years old, and a native of New York. Yesterday when he came in Mr. Herman Sartorius found him sitting in a chair, and his nephew was away he placed the firewood nearby for a while, and then went behind a pile of lumber. He rarely left his place in a dying condition. He barely spoke, and was unable to move his limbs. He died at the Hospital. He had twice before attempted suicide by taking poison. He lived at 101 West Forty-first street, a member of Atlantic Lodge No. 61 of the Masonic order.

Electrician Sawyer's Sentence.

William E. Sawyer, the electrician, who shot Dr. Theophilus Steele, was sentenced by Judge Gilder yesterday to four years in State prison.

Wanted—Females.

A.—UP-TOWN. D. V. STERLING, 100 West 10th st., May leave their favors for The Sun at the only up-town advertising offices.

B.—A.—EXPERIMENTAL operators on W. & W. machines; also buttonhole makers on ladies' underwear.

C.—BOOK PAPER.—Experimenters on book paper.

D.—BUTTONHOLE MAKERS on fine custom shirts. SILLECK & CO., 100 Fulton, top floor.

E.—TIE RUBBERS.—Experimenters hands prepared for ties, 100 Fulton.

F.—SHOEMAKERS on turn backs. Inquire in saloon corner near Sixth and Flushing avs., Brooklyn, L. I.

G.—STRONG BOY, well recommended. Apply at 38 Thompson, 9 o'clock.

H.—DRIBBLETON.—Experimenters hands prepared for ties, 100 Fulton.

I.—MANHATTAN BEACH, VIA GREENPOINT.

J.—TWO TIMENS wanted accustomed to Fulton Ferry.

K.—TWO BOYS who can ravel; also one accustomed to painting. 11 Vine st., Brooklyn.

L.—TAILORS.—Experimenters on boys' suits.

M.—W. H. BROWN, 100 Fulton, top floor.

N.—W. H. BROWN & CO., 100 Fulton, top floor.

O.—W. H. BROWN & CO., 100 Fulton, top floor.

P.—ONE OVERSTITCH shirtwaist and initial maker and operators; give out. Apply all week. 1,178 Broadway.

Q.—GLASS SIGNS.—Gilder wanted.

R.—J. F. ELLIS & CO., 24 West St., N. Y.

S.—GOOD wet buttonhole makers, and learners.

T.—GERMAN GIRLS wanted to polish mica-sheets. 10 Liipenstrasse, Berlin.

U.—TRIMMERS wanted at 5 Fulton st., Brooklyn.

V.—HOOP SKIRT hands; call all the week; steady employment.

W.—LADIES for home work; steady and profitably; call or send the sample. Hudson Manufacturing Co., 330 Fulton, one flight.

X.—LAPELLETTES Steam Laundry—Two smart girls to wash laundry.

Y.—PIRATES.—National buttonhole machine operators for steady and Sunday work. 200 East Broadway.

Z.—OPERATORS, bakers, and pressers on white wares. 100 Fulton, top floor.

A.—OPERATORS on silk clothing, 100 Fulton, top floor.

B.—OPERATORS wanted on lawn and gingham suits at 16 Grandview st.

C.—PAPER BOXES.—Wanted, experienced girls on glue and paste work. 121 East 22d st., near 4th av.

D.—PAINTERS.—Wanted, experienced girls on glass and paste work. 100 Fulton, top floor.

E.—SEWING MACHINES.—New House, Domestic Wheeler & Wilson, Singer, Wilcox & Gibbs, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50, \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70, \$75, \$80, \$85, \$90, \$95, \$100, \$105, \$110, \$115, \$120, \$125, \$130, \$135, \$140, \$145, \$150, \$155, \$160, \$165, \$170, \$175, \$180, \$185, \$190, \$195, \$200, \$205, \$210, \$215, \$220, \$225, \$230, \$235, \$240, \$245, \$250, \$255, \$260, \$265, \$270, \$275, \$280, \$285, \$290, \$295, \$300, \$305, \$310, \$315, \$320, \$325, \$330, \$335, \$340, \$345, \$350, \$355, \$360, \$365, \$370, \$375, \$380, \$385, \$390, \$395, \$400, \$405, \$410, \$415, \$420, \$425, \$430, \$435, \$440, \$445, \$450, \$455, \$460, \$465, \$470, \$475, \$480, \$485, \$490, \$495, \$500, \$505, \$510, \$515, \$520, \$525, \$530, \$535, \$540, \$545, \$550, \$555, \$560, \$565, \$570, \$575, \$580, \$585, \$590, \$595, \$600, \$605, \$610, \$615, \$620, \$625, \$630, \$635, \$640, \$645, \$650, \$655, \$660, \$665, \$670, \$675, \$680, \$685, \$690, \$695, \$700, \$705, \$710, \$715, \$720, \$725, \$730, \$735, \$740, \$745, \$750, \$755, \$760, \$765, \$770, \$775, \$780, \$785, \$790, \$795, \$800, \$805, \$810, \$815, \$820, \$825, \$830, \$835, \$840, \$845, \$850, \$855, \$860, \$865, \$870, \$875, \$880, \$885, \$890, \$895, \$900, \$905, \$910, \$915, \$920, \$925, \$930, \$935, \$940, \$945, \$950, \$955, \$960, \$965, \$970, \$975, \$980, \$985, \$990, \$995, \$1000, \$1005, \$1010, \$1015, \$1020, \$1025, \$1030, \$1035, \$1040, \$1045, \$1050, \$1055, \$1060, \$1065, \$1070, \$1075, \$1080, \$1085, \$1090, \$1095, \$1100, \$1105, \$1110, \$1115, \$1120, \$1125, \$1130, \$1135, \$1140, \$1145, \$1150, \$1155, \$1160, \$1165, \$1170, \$1175, \$1180, \$1185, \$1190, \$1195, \$1200, \$1205, \$1210, \$1215, \$1220, \$1225, \$1230, \$1235, \$1240, \$1245, \$1250, \$1255, \$1260, \$1265, \$1270, \$1275, \$1280, \$1285, \$1290, \$1295, \$1300, \$1305, \$1310, \$1315, \$1320, \$1325, \$1330, \$1335, \$1340, \$1345, \$1350, \$1355, \$1360, \$1365, \$1370, \$1375, \$1380, \$1385, \$1390, \$1395, \$1400, \$1405, \$1410, \$1415, \$1420, \$1425, \$1430, \$1435, \$1440, \$1445, \$1450, \$1455, \$1460, \$1465, \$1470, \$1475, \$1480, \$1485, \$1490, \$1495, \$1500, \$1505, \$1510, \$1515, \$1520, \$1525, \$1530, \$1535, \$1540, \$1545, \$1550, \$1555, \$1560, \$1565, \$1570, \$1575, \$1580, \$1585, \$1590, \$1595, \$1600, \$1605, \$1610, \$1615, \$1620, \$1625, \$1630, \$1635, \$1640, \$1645, \$1650, \$1655, \$1660, \$1665, \$1670, \$1675, \$1680, \$1685, \$1690, \$1695, \$1700, \$1705, \$1710, \$1715, \$1720, \$1725, \$1730, \$1735, \$1740, \$1745, \$1750, \$1755, \$1760, \$1765, \$1770, \$1775, \$1780, \$1785, \$1790, \$1795, \$1800, \$1805, \$1810, \$1815, \$1820, \$1825, \$1830, \$1835, \$1840, \$1845, \$1850, \$1855, \$1860, \$1865, \$1870, \$1875, \$1880, \$1885, \$1890, \$1895, \$1900, \$1905, \$1910, \$1915, \$1920, \$1925, \$1930, \$1935, \$1940, \$1945, \$1950, \$1955, \$1960, \$1965, \$1970, \$1975, \$1980, \$1985, \$1990, \$1995, \$2000, \$2005, \$2010, \$2015, \$2020, \$2025, \$2030, \$2035, \$2040, \$2045, \$2050, \$2055, \$2060, \$2065, \$2070, \$2075, \$2080, \$2085, \$2090, \$2095, \$2100, \$2105, \$2110, \$2115, \$2120, \$2125, \$2130, \$2135, \$2140, \$2145, \$2150, \$2155, \$2160, \$2165, \$2170, \$2175, \$2180, \$2185, \$2190, \$2195, \$2200, \$2205, \$2210, \$2215, \$2220, \$2225, \$2230, \$2235, \$2240, \$2245, \$2250, \$2255, \$2260, \$2265, \$2270, \$2275, \$2280, \$2285, \$2290, \$2295, \$2300, \$2305